# WILD CLASSROOM GUIDE 2024-2025

Authentic, place-based learning experiences in science and engineering with The Wild Center's directory of student-centered educational programs. All programs are designed to support classroom learning through alignment with Next Generation Science standards.

## WILD CLASSROOM WORKSHOPS

#### WILDLIFE DEFENSES: (Grades K-8)

Explore the importance of shells, talons, teeth, and quills. Students will get hands-on with natural artifacts to learn how wildlife have adapted for survival in the variety of habitats found in the Adirondacks.

Next Generation Science: K-LS1-1, 2-LS4-1, 3-LS3-2, MSLS2-2

#### CREATURES ON CLIMATE CHANGE: (Grades 9-College)

Students are introduced to the science of climate change and the exploration of its impacts on Adirondack wildlife. Groups will discover the solutions of these issues through visualizing global data sets on NOAA's Science on a Sphere and exploring the Climate Solutions exhibit.

Next Generation Science Standards: MS-LS2-1, MS-LS2-4, MSESS3-2, MS-ESS3-4, MS-ESS3-5, HS-LS2-6, HS-LS4-4

#### (Grades K-College) NATURALIST WALK: (Group Sizes of 50 or less)

Discover the beautiful features of The Adirondacks! Explore the biodiversity in Greenleaf Pond and the beautiful scenery of the Raquette River. Students are given the opportunity to be completely immersed in nature as they explore the natural features (and critters!) of The Wild Center's campus. **Next Generation Science: K-LS-1, K-ESS3-3, 2-LS4-1, 3-LS4-3, 4-ESS2-1, 5-ESS2-1, MS-LS2-5, HS-LS2-7, HS-LS2-8, HS-ESS2-5** 

> ASK US HOW OUR PARTNERSHIP WITH BOCES CAN HELP FUND YOUR VISIT

## <u>RATES</u>

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#### SCHOOL GROUPS

Students	\$5
Chaperones	\$10
Teachers, Teaching Assistants, Teacher Aides, Bus Drivers	FREE

#### YOUTH/SCOUT GROUPS

Youth/Scouts	\$11
Adults	\$17



#### GREEN TECHNOLOGIES (Grades 6-College) WALK: (Group Sizes of 50 or less)

Join a Wild Center staff member for a guided walk around our campus highlighting the green technologies and infrastructure that make us a LEED Certified facility. Students will receive information on The Wild Center's history, building practices, and everyday decision-making that make us a green facility through first-hand experience with our campus and conversations with staff.

Next Generation Science: MS-LS1-6, MS-PS3-5, MS-LS2-2, MS-ESS2-2, MS-ETS1-1, HS-LS2-3, HS-LS2-7, HS-ESS2-5, HS-ESS3-4

#### PRIVATE ANIMAL ENCOUNTERS:

(Grades K-College)

Students will meet one of The Wild Center's animal ambassadors to learn about the role that animal plays in the Adirondack ecosystem. This program is a deep dive into natural history, ecology, and our animals' personal stories. Wild Center staff will assign one animal ambassador from one of the following taxa: reptile, bird, mammal.

Next Generation Science: K-LS-1, K-ESS3-3, 2-LS4-1, 3-LS4-3, 3-LS4-2, MS-LS2-5, MS-LS2-1, MS-LS4-4, HS-LS2-3, HS-LS2-7

## JUNIOR NATURALIST PROGRAM

Students take a closer look at the natural world around them through this self-guided environmental education booklet. After completing a variety of adventures that engage students across the museum and outdoor campus, each student earns a patch honoring their work.

Recommended for ages 10 and under.

### THE VIRTUAL EXPERIENCE

Whether your class or group is nearby or far away, engage your students in **30 minutes** of curriculum-based science exploration, from a Wild Center perspective. Virtual programs can accommodate up to **100 individuals** and be catered to **all ages**.

#### RIVER OTTER ECOLOGY

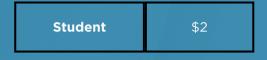
Follow us on the engaging experience of diving into the world of otters. Students will explore the amazing adaptations and natural history of otters in the Adirondacks.

Program features an encounter with North American river otters. Next Generation Science Standards: K-ESS3-1, 3-LS3-2, 4-LS1-1, 4-LS1-2



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#### JUNIOR NATURALIST PROGRAM



#### VIRTUAL PROGRAM

4 or Less	\$75/
Programs	program
5 or More	\$50/
Programs	program

## Available to meet over a variety of digital platforms



For more information, contact: School Programs Coordinator (518) 359-7800 x 123 schoolprograms@wildcenter.org

